

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICE AREA 5 (SA 5) ADMINISTRATION**

TRANSFER OPPORTUNITY

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Psychiatric Social Worker II (Spanish Speaking)

The Service Area 5 Administration currently has an opening for a Spanish Speaking PSW II to join a newly forming ***Mobile Triage Team*** (aka SB 82). This position will be part of a multi-disciplinary field-based clinical team, which will respond to requests for outreach from the community for the purposes of clinical triage and linkage to the appropriate level of mental health services. The program's target populations will be: Individuals who are homeless, veterans, or older adults from the Westside/SA 5 who may also need short term case management including linkage to emergency or transitional housing. The PSW II will work closely with other team members, as well as interact with diverse members of the Public and/or local community.

DUTIES INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Providing field-based outreach, triage, (or full AIA assessments), short-term case management where appropriate, and warm hand-offs to other mental health providers;
- Working collaboratively with peer advocate or other para-professional staff;
- Participating in case consultations with other team members;
- Completing necessary documentation and billing, including opening clinical episodes for less than 60-days, triage and AIA assessments, as well as progress notes;
- Obtaining and maintaining LPS designation to complete 5150 holds for individuals who meet criteria for involuntary hospitalization;
- Making occasional presentations to the Public or other Community Groups about *Mobile Triage* and how to access services
- Participating in internal tracking of referrals, disposition and capturing of outcomes.

DESIREABLE QUALITIES:

- Experience with street or field-based outreach of homeless individuals and/or veterans;
- Experience with motivational interviewing and/or engaging individuals with substance abuse problems;
- Fluency in Spanish;
- Experience with or willingness to work on housing plans, as needed;
- Strong time management as well as self-organization and accountability skills;
- Positive and flexible demeanor with strong teamwork and problem-solving abilities;
- Strong relationship building skills with a broad array of constituents;
- Experience with IBHIS, Microsoft Office and laptop computers.

Individuals currently holding the title of Psychiatric Social Worker II (Spanish Speaking) are encouraged to submit a resume, and the last 2 year's Performance Evaluations and Master Time Cards to the contact person below. Deadline is Friday, March 13th, 2015.

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